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**ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

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The present invention provides a composition having biological activity comprising: (1) from about 10 ppm to about 5000 parts iodonium salt, (2) from about 100 ppm to about 300,000 ppm of a compound to act as a carrier of the iodonium compound and is selected from the group consisting of polyvinyl alcohols, polyvinyl acetates, polyethylene glycols, ethylene glycol and propylene glycol block copolymers, cellulosic polymers, polyesters, alkyd polymers; (3) from about 50 ppm to about 50,000 ppm of a compound to render the composition compatible with a surface being treated and is selected from the group consisting of di-acids, acid anhydrides, polyfunctional acids, diethylene glycol, resorcinol and the like; and (4) an appropriate vehicle selected from the group consisting of water, acidified water, paint, primer, and petroleum distillates. The present invention further provides numerous methods of using the above compound by applying the compound to a surface to be treated.

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